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FROM USREP ICAO

E. O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: ICAO - LAW OF THE SEA

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1. ASST DIR OF IATA CALLED USMISSION TO TELL US ABOUT CALL FROM BUTLER REGARDING GENERAL SUBJECT OF LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE AS IT RELATES TO PRESENT ISSUES IN ICAO REGARDING HIJACKING, FIR BOUNDARIES, USER CHARGES, WITH MENTION OF 12-MILE LIMIT. IATA WAS CONFUSED ABOUT SUBSTANCE AND NATURE OF CALL AND ASKED IF RELATED TO SOME PRESENT US POSITION IN THIS GENERAL CATEGORY IN ICAO. IATA OFFICIALS GAVE NO ANSWER TO BUTLER BECAUSE THEY SAID THEY WERN'T SURE WHAT HE WAS ASKING OR IN WHAT CAPACITY HE WAS CALLING.

2. REGARDING BUTLER CONTACTS ON CUBA HIJACKING MONEY AND PARA 2 REFTEL, USREP CONCERNED ABOUT DIRECT PHONE AND CORESPONDENCE CONTACTS WITH ICAO AND HOPES THAT IN FUTURE THESE MATTERS WILL BE HANDLED THROUGH MISSION. OBVIOUSLY THIS KIND OF APPROACH BY LAWYERS REPRESENTING AIRLINES FOR VARIOUS REASONS COULD PROLIFERATE. FOR EXAMPLE THE CASE OF ATTORNIES REPRESENTING U.S. AVIATION UNDERWRITERS (SEE GRAVATT CORRESPONDENCE FILE) WHICH COULD EASILY UNDER PRESSURE BE PUT IN SAME CATEGORY AS

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CUBA/SOUTHERN AIRLINES DEMAND FOR RETURN OF MONEY.

3. USREP PREPARED DISCUSS THESE MATTERS DURING CONSUL-
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